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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed herewith for appropriate action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office are the following documents:

1. Transmittal Letter;
2. Status Inquiry; and
3. Return Post Card.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013 to maintain the pendency of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date:

*Sept 15, 2005*

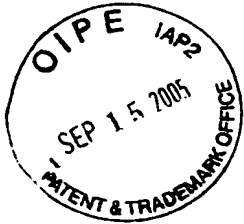
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**STATUS INQUIRY**

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Sir:

A Request For Continued Examination was filed in the above-referenced application on March 4, 2005 along with an Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449. These papers were submitted in lieu of an issue fee so that the additional references could be appropriately considered by the Examiner.

Since that time, Applicants have not received a Office Action on the Merits or, alternatively, a Notice of Allowability. Accordingly, Applicants request to be informed of the current status of the above-identified application.

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